

BULLETIN'S SPORTS—BREEZIEST AND BEST

WHAT ABOUT THE DAVIS CUP GAMES?



ponents, but rather that they knew their own games to a nicety, and, knowing the games of their opponents also, were able to apply their tennis experiences to fighting the chances pretty accurately. They felt that they had a better chance than any international team that had ever gone cup-hunting, and that unless illness or accident intervened, they would justify the confidence that American sportsmen have placed in them.

Trying not to let partisanship influence judgment, which, by the way, is not easy in international affairs, American figures to win at least three of the five scheduled matches, which would be enough to win back the trophy. And three is the inside estimate, earned should win from both Brooks and Heath, and McLoughlin should win his singles match from Heath. This would leave Brooks a shade over McLoughlin, and Brooks and Dunlop a win over the American doubles team, McLoughlin and Beals Wright. The Brooks-Dunlop combination is considered very strong. Some Australian tennis writers even go so far as to say that they are a better team than Brooks and Wright. Wright and McLoughlin haven't had much experience as a team, but they are both marvelously effective in their own line. Wright is a crafty court general and the California player is a brilliant strategist and effective server. If Wright's generalship can lay out a plan of campaign and hold the team together, McLoughlin's individual brilliancy should be good for many an ace.

One thing is certain, and that is that America has sent her very best team this year. This is a relief, for if we are beaten no one will have a chance to post-mortem about what would have happened if the national champion had been able to go along.

Larned is No. 1 on the ranking list this year, with McLoughlin No. 2. Wright isn't ranked because he only played in a couple of tournaments, but his experience and his ability put him well inside the first five in general estimation, at any rate.

NEW YEAR'S GOLF.

The golf event at the Country Club for New Year's will be a handicap match play affair against bogey, and with the course in good shape and well dried out after the rainy spell of ten days ago, the Colonel will have to go some to hold his own against the club experts. Play will be both morning and afternoon, the time being elective. Those wishing to make their 18 holes in the morning will have to enter before 10 o'clock at the clubhouse, and those preferring the afternoon must get their names down before 1:30.

Besides the golf feature, there will be a general good time at the club, including a lunch and dancing and open house during the afternoon.

EDDIE COLLINS FOOTBALL STAR

Eddie Collins, the fleet little second baseman of the Philadelphia Athletics, was formerly a football player on the University of Columbia eleven. He was only a sub, but played well when given a chance. It took Connie Mack several years to discover that Collins was a star baseball player. The football coaches probably overlooked a glittering star when they passed Collins up as a regular.

"When men play baseball folks forget that they may have once answered a quarter-back's signal and plunged into a line of flesh, muleskin and jersey, instead of flogging a furrow in soft loam toward a square of bulging, half-filled ducking," says an Eastern critic. "Mathewson and Collins of the present day big league stars are also the football stars of baseball. They still tell a story of the wonderful play Philadelphia's second baseman made when he was a 'rah rah' at the University of Columbia. Collins starred in the Columbia-Amherst battle of 1905 just as he was starred in world series games since.

"Collins was only a sub on the Columbia varsity that fall, which was coached by Bill Morley. Collins didn't get his chance until the last five minutes, with the score standing 10 to 6 in favor of Amherst, with the ball on Columbia's twenty-yard line.

"I replace Donovan!" yelled Eddie to the referee when he dashed out from the side lines, just as full of pepper as he is now prancing about second.

"Collins could run in the open field and Morley knew it. Eddie had orders to call his own signal. Donovan had been playing quarter-back. Eddie did. 'He was thrown for a loss by the Amherst ends.

"Eddie called it again. 'The Blue and White crowd of Columbia rose en masse as they saw the streaks of Collins' blue and white socks going around the end he had been thrown by. Five, ten, fifteen. Twenty yards he ripped off, before somebody 'got' him. Collins finally, in four plays, took the ball to the twenty-yard line. 'Then Eddie sacrificed!'

"I replace Collins!" yelled a fellow named Schultz, who had never been in a varsity game before, although he had been four years on the squad.

"Schultz yelled his own signal, too. 'It was for a try at goal from the field. Schultz could kick.'

"Plunk! The ball sailed into his hands from the center. 'Plunk! It sailed over the cross bar from the spot Collins had carried it to. 'The score was tied and Columbia's honor sustained.'

THREE DAYS OF SPORT.

There will be plenty doing in the sport line during this week-end. The presence of the Pacific fleet in port has added to the usual New Year's program, and what with football, soccer, baseball and foot racing, there is sure to be something of interest to everyone.

This afternoon at Moiliili there will be a half-mile race, a walking event, a ball game and a five-mile relay race. Sunday at Athletic Park the big one-hour races between S. J. Woodward and Soldier King will be the main event, with a ball game, a mile walk between H. M. Ayres and Nigel Jackson and a half-mile event between Farrell and Hart also on the card.

Monday's program will be pulled off at Moiliili in the morning, consisting of a 15-mile foot race, in which most of the crack distance men are entered, and the big football game between the Maryland and town teams at Alexander field in the afternoon. The game will be called at 5:30.

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NO HITCH OVER 1-HOUR RACE

King and Woodward Will Go Sunday Afternoon as Scheduled—Program Good.

King and Woodward will run their one-hour endurance race Sunday afternoon without fail. That is the latest bulletin from the managers of both camps, and as a matter of fact, there is little chance of a slip-up at this late date. Both men have real money up, and as both think they have the race wrapped up and ready to carry home, it stands to reason that they are not letting anything come in the way of the contest.

For a while yesterday things looked equally. Sergeant E. S. Barry, who has been doing a lot toward making the fleet's stay here a success from the standpoint of sport, had counted on King and Woodward to take part in the field meet to be held at Moiliili this afternoon. The runners, however, were looking after the main chance, and figuring that their cut of the gate at a general meet would be too small to be considered, they arranged to secure Athletic Park and stage their own meeting Sunday. This was stealing some of Barry's thunder, and yesterday he was inclined to throw obstacles in the way of the King-Woodward affair, but there were no results, and the race has received a lot of good advertising by the controversy.

The one-hour race will start promptly at 1:30. That is, it is billed for 1:30, and as there are only two starters, and no conditions to wrangle over, there will be no excuse for a delay. C. K. Michener and Midshipman Mitscher have been selected as judges, these two to name a third. The timekeepers will be Chilton and Hollinger.

Fallen of the Colorado and Anderson of the West Virginia, two speedy middle distance men, have been matched for the half-mile championship of the fleet the same afternoon. There will also be a ball game and the one-mile walking match between H. M. Ayres and Nigel Jackson. Altogether a pretty fat card for one admission.

The promoters and contestants have agreed to donate 25 per cent. of the gross amount taken in at the gate to swell the entertainment fund which is to provide a big banquet for the athletic teams of the fleet.

While the well known full-rigged ship Erskine M. Phelps, fastest and finest of the American merchantmen today, was battling with heavy gales off the coast, back on his ranch near Spokane, Captain Robert J. Graham, her first master, was daily seeking word of the outcome of the big vessel's contest with the elements. Captain Graham was the first to board the famous windjammer when she arrived on the Sound several days ago from the East Coast, after a splendid voyage. The Phelps has a record which is only outclassed by some of the fleet clippers of many years ago. Soon after she was launched she began to break records, and her log shows many brilliant performances on the seas.

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EXCURSION FULL, PLAN ANOTHER

The first round-the-island train and auto excursion of the Public Service Association is looked full, and no more tickets will be sold for the trip on January 7. About ten requests have been made for a Saturday round-the-island trip at the \$2.50 rate, and if the requests are increased to thirty who will take tickets, such an excursion will be run. At present it seems possible to successfully conduct only Sunday and week-end trips, but it will not be long before Saturday trips will be made for those who can get off on that day. Arrangements are being made to start an auto from the Public Service rooms every Saturday for a 47 round-the-island trip, and bookings may be made for this trip.

The first excursion having been so successful that all accommodations have been sold out ten days in advance of the date set for the trip, the Trail and Mountain Club will now take names of those who wish to make an auto and power sumpun outing on Sunday, January 14. Arrangements will be made to transport those who wish to camp out on Coconut Island, in Kaneohe bay, Saturday afternoon, and it may be possible to also run an auto on Monday morning.

The program will be as follows: Leave Honolulu Saturday afternoon or early Sunday morning by auto bus for Kaneohe bay, Saturday afternoon, and camp out on Coconut Island, aboard the big power sumpun chartered for the day. The sumpun will hold a hundred, but the party is limited to fifty. Those who wish may camp on the island, using the small houses there for taking tents. Sunday the big power sumpun will make numerous exploration and fishing trips about Kaneohe bay. There is a straightaway stretch of ten miles of absolutely smooth water and places of interest everywhere.

Some of Kaneohe's musicians will be aboard and there will be music. No liquor of any kind, however, will be allowed on the trip. The cost of the entire trip by auto bus to and from Heala, ferryage and use of power sumpun will be: To members of the Outrigger Club, \$2 each; to members of the Hundred Thousand Club, the Civic Federation, the Hands-Around and the Outrigger Club, \$2.25 each, and to others \$2.50 for the entire trip. Those who wish to go can arrange their own little groups and can be left in parties by the power sumpun wherever they wish to enjoy their lunch, which they can carry with them. The Public Service Association, phone 3306, will be pleased to take the names of those who wish to take advantage of the excursion. The party will be limited to fifty.

ELKS OF FLEET ENTERTAINED

Elkdom made merry last night when the members of the local lodge gave a smoker and entertainment at the clubrooms in honor of the antlered brothers of the Pacific cruiser fleet.

Gaily decorated in national colors the entrance to the Elks' hall attracted much attention last night and the program and fun that went on within was also very attractive. The program was arranged by William Donahitt and E. A. Douthitt, past exalted ruler, acted as master of ceremonies. The "Imperial Doves" furnished one of the features by their rendition of the hula dance, and another big feature was the Colorado Glee Club, from the cruiser Colorado.

Those in charge of the evening's events were:

E. A. Douthitt, master of revels; Dr. Moore, Walter Drake, C. J. McCarthy, A. E. Murphy, Robt. White, Nelson Lansing, J. Walter Doyle. The reception committee—Robert White, E. P. O'Brien, Harry Murray, Paul Isenberg, Ed. Lord, Jack Doyle, W. W. Harris, J. Walter Doyle, N. B. Young, Alonzo Gartley, Jack Lucas, Jack Atkinson, Arthur McDuffie.

CONGRATULATIONS SENT NEW REPUBLIC'S HEAD

Four Honoluluans, personal friends of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the president of the new Chinese republic, yesterday sent him the following congratulatory message:

"Aloha nui loa. Heartiest congratulations and local greeting.

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"WILLIAM A. BOWEN,
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BIG IMPROVEMENT IN SHOWING MADE BY LOCAL BOWLERS

League Will Be Organized Thursday—200 Scores Regular Thing Now.

Honolulu bowlers have been coming on so fast during the last month that several pieces of chalk have been used up marking 200 scores on the blackboard. Considering that most of the rollers were either so green or so out of practice when the alleys opened that the gutters got just as much use as the drives themselves, the improvement is quite remarkable.

P. Schmidt has high score for the month to date, with 233, and unless someone hops up with a better string tonight, which is improbable, he will be awarded the handsome gold bowling badge put up by the Y. M. C. A. for the month's best score. This badge is in the form of a stick pin, the device being two crossed pins surmounted by a ball.

Thursday evening at 7:30 a general meeting of those interested in the game will be held in Cooke Hall, at which plans for a league will be discussed. There is already enough material for five or six five-man teams, and once the league gets going it is sure to boost interest considerably. It was originally intended by Manager A. T. Wisdom to start the teams early this month, but the rush of holiday business made it impossible for many of the players to get off nights, and it was considered advisable to postpone the league race until after the first of the year.

The Bank of Hawaii, Laet Club and Methodist church have already promised full teams, and the balance of the schedule will be made up by choosing players from among the unattached regulars, who will then adopt team names.

Following are the men who have rolled 200 or better during the month: P. Schmidt 233, F. A. Wood 123, 227, M. Harris 3, M. R. Roberts 2, R. S. Young 3, A. E. Tinker 3, P. H. Notague 2, P. Dodge 2, H. Lee, G. Wilkinson, A. T. Wisdom, H. W. Gear, W. Rasmann, H. Melin, M. Eismann.

SHIPPING TRUST RULES THE SEAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Urging before the house rules committee today the adoption of his resolution creating a joint committee to investigate the foreign shipping combine, Representative Humphrey of Washington declared 90 per cent. of the \$2,500,000,000 commerce of the United States was carried in foreign ships belonging to pools, combines and conferences.

There was no competition between these vessels, he said, and passenger and freight rates were fixed in advance in Germany.

Rates between the United States and South America, he said, were fixed by agreement in New York.

Further testimony, intended to impeach the veracity of Charles A. White, the former Illinois legislator, who says he was bribed to vote for Senator Lorimer, was introduced today before the senate investigating committee. John L. Flannigan of East St. Louis, a lawyer and member of the Illinois legislature, denied White's sworn testimony given at a previous hearing in which White declared that Flannigan had declared "it would take a lot of money" to pass certain street railway legislation in Illinois.

"Fabulous capitalization of corporations is the trouble with the business," according to F. W. Kelson, a business man and economic student of Orange, N. J., who today addressed the senate interstate commerce committee, which is investigating the "trust" problem.

A special meeting of the cabinet to revise President Taft's wool message will be held in the White House late this afternoon. The message is understood to be short and friends of the president regard it as important.

Mrs. Merrill, widow of the Hon. Selah Merrill, former U. S. consul at Jerusalem and a noted author, is visiting in the islands, stopping at the Hawaiian Hotel.

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FAST SOCCER FOR MONDAY

Original Schedule Will Be Adhered to Double Header Played at Moiliili.

SOCCER LEAGUE STANDING.				
Club.	P.	W.	L.	T.
High School	2	2	0	0
Maile	2	2	0	0
Punahou	2	1	1	0
Kam. Alumni	2	0	2	0
Healani	2	0	2	0

There will be no change in the soccer league schedule New Year's Day. The Mailes will play the High School and the Healani eleven will meet the Kam. Alumni team in the regular double-header at Moiliili Monday afternoon.

There was some talk earlier in the week of postponing one of the games and substituting the Maryland-Town intercollegiate game as the closer, but the league management finally decided that it would be poor policy to throw out the soccer arrangement for an outside game, no matter how much of a drawing card it might prove, and so the football men were informed that they could not have the use of the Moiliili grounds. This throws them onto Alexander Field, which is better from a playing standpoint, but which offers fewer accommodations for spectators and is unfenced. However, it is believed that the quality of football will make up for any inconveniences to which the spectators may be put.

The soccer card looks good this week. Punahou is the team to get a lay-off, and the champs say they will be right on the job the following Saturday, and ready to retrieve their defeat of the week before.

GOSSIP OF GOLF

One of the features of Harry Vardon's push shot, according to the Standard, is that the ball is hit fairly high, about the center, the club then going through it and only touching the turf in front of the place where the ball was lying, a small divot being then taken, and the general run of players have, through insufficient study and instruction, arrived at the conclusion that the chief or only thing to do in copying is to see to it that turf is taken after impact with the ball and not before it, as is customary. This being so, their efforts usually result in the ball being more than half-topped and a very sad mess being made of their so-called push shots.

Taylor has for years been enthroned in the public estimation as the pitcher of all time, and assuredly he is a very great one, but I am not at all sure, says Bernard Darwin, that Vardon ought not to share that throne. Like Taylor, he pitches with a glorious boldness and pitches whenever he possibly can. I recollect so well one hole at Stoke Poges in the big foursome not long since, when Vardon and Duncan beat Sherlock and Braid. It was the twelfth hole, where the green is guarded by a broad, grassy dip. The approaching tell to Sherlock and Vardon and the former played the odd, a beautiful running shot, wherein the ball ran down into the dip, climbed up the other side, and finished within perhaps six yards of the hole. Then came Vardon with a shot the absolute antithesis of Sherlock's. He pitched the ball over the dip and right on to the plateau, where it stopped as if tethered by a string and finished nearer to the hole. I was walking with Taylor at the moment and remember the beam of pleasure that spread over his expressive countenance. "That great man always, I suspect, enjoys seeing the runners beaten by the pitchers."

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